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Banks.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL£1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED£1,125,000

BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 Months.....5 per cent.
" 6 " 4 "
" 3 " 3 "

JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 4th February, 1893. [20

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital£1,000,000
Subscribed Capital.....£ 500,000

HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:—
D. Gillies, Esq. | ChowTungShang, Esq.
Chan Kit Shan, Esq. | Kwan Hoi Chuen, Esq.
H. Stolterfoht, Esq.

Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Branches.—London, Yokohama, Shanghai and Amoy.

BANKERS:—
The Commercial Bank of Scotland.
Parrs Banking Co., and The Alliance Bank (Ld.)

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
Hongkong, 16th November, 1893. [7

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL£2,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP£ 251,093.15.0

BANKERS:
CAPITAL & COUNTIES BANK, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE:
No. 3, PRINCE'S STREET, LONDON.

BRANCHES:
BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI.

AGENCIES:
PENANG, SINGAPORE AND YOKOHAMA.

RATES OF INTEREST,
ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNTS and Fixed Deposits can be ascertained on application.

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

CHANTREY INCHBALD,
Manager.
Hongkong, 6th November, 1893. [21

Insurances.

THE
STANDARD.
ENDOWMENT
ASSURANCE.

1. AMONG THE MANY ADVANTAGES of this form of Assurance, the following may be mentioned:—
 (a)—It secures an immediate Provision for wife and family or other relatives in event of early death.
 (b)—It provides a Fund for Retirement.
 (c)—It supplies an excellent Investment for the regular accumulation of small fixed sums of money.
 (d)—The Surrender and loan values are larger than under ordinary Policies.
2. AFTER THE POLICY HAS BEEN THREE YEARS IN FORCE—should the Policy-holder wish to discontinue future payments—he will be entitled to receive, on application, a FREE PAID-UP POLICY for a proportionate amount of the Sum Assured, as explained in the Prospectus.

Full particulars on application,
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents,
STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.
Hongkong, 8th August, 1893. [747

SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW ZEALAND.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept FIRE and MARINE INSURANCES on favourable terms.

Current rates, and a guaranteed Bonus equal to that paid by the local Offices.

S. J. DAVID & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 1st November, 1892. [415

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Ports of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 24th November, 1893. [180

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 } $833,333.33.
EQUAL TO
RESERVE FUND$318,000.00.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq. | LO YEUE MOON, Esq.
LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER.—HO AMEL

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1892. [274

Intimations.

THE PUNJOM MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

A PRIVATE MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, on MONDAY, the 5th instant, at NOON, for the purpose of discussing a proposed adoption of the CYANIDE PROCESS for the treatment of Tailings and Concentrates.

By Order,
A. O'D. GOURDIN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1894. [306

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S HOTEL, on THURSDAY, 8th March, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of the Accounts of the Company to the 31st December, 1893, with the Report of the Directors, and to discuss any matters that may competently be brought before the Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 22nd instant to the 8th proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
R. LYALL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 16th February, 1894. [247

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE ELEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, Praya Central, on SATURDAY, 17th March, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, declaring a Dividend, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 2nd to 17th March, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 27th February, 1894. [294

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICE of the COMPANY, Praya Central, on SATURDAY, 17th March, at 12.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, declaring a Dividend, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 2nd to the 17th March, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 27th February, 1894. [295

STRAITS FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of this Company will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, SINGAPORE, on THURSDAY, 22nd March, at NOON.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 9th to 22nd March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Directors
WM. MACBEAN,
Agent,
Hongkong Branch.
Hongkong, 19th February, 1894. [269

NOTICE TO TOBACCO PLANTERS AND OTHERS.

THE NEW CENTRAL BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED, being Owners of a large quantity of Land in North Borneo, which has been especially selected for PLANTING TOBACCO, SUGAR and COFFEE, are willing to SELL LEASES, free of rent for 999 years, of said Lands in blocks of about 5,000 acres, or they will grant Leases of the same for 21 years in blocks of 1,000 acres.

It is believed that the best Crops and the best price for same have been obtained for Tobacco grown in the Kinabatangan District, immediately adjoining a large block of this Company's land.

For further particulars, application should be made to the Company's Agents
Messrs. BOUSTEAD & Co.,
Singapore.
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CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION, No. 55.

THE Undersigned has been instructed to remind all concerned that CLANDESTINE TRADE along the Coast is a Violation of Law and subjects Vessel and Cargo to seizure and confiscation, and to add that by this Law it is forbidden to COLLECT COOLIES anywhere except at Treaty Ports. The Undersigned has further to state that Coolie Emigration to Brazil is not permitted.

H. ELGAR HOBSON,
Commissioner for Kowloon and District.
Office of Customs,
Kowloon, 26th February, 1894. [289

CHINESE CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

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ALFRED E. HIPPISLEY,
Commissioner of Customs, for the Lappa District.
Custom House,
Lappa, 21st February, 1894. [279

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL ROTISSERIE will be RE-OPENED on FRIDAY, the 9th instant, under new and experienced management.

The STRICTEST ATTENTION will be paid to the CUISINE.

A STAFF of thoroughly trained and specially selected servants has been engaged and will be under the immediate supervision of the Manager.
Hongkong, 5th February, 1894. [198

Intimations.

CENTRAL HOTEL, SHANGHAI.

Electric Lighting throughout the Premises.

Telegraphic Address:—"CENTRAL, SHANGHAI."

THIS long-established SELECT Family Hotel, situated on the Bund, facing the river in the centre of the Settlements, *is now fitted* with the latest modern improvements, including Bath and Dressing Rooms ATTACHED to Suites and Single Rooms, with hot and cold water laid on, DOUCHE, SHOWER, SPRAYS, etc., and heated to a comfortable temperature during winter.

COMMODIOUS RECEPTION ROOM FOR VISITORS.

SEPARATE ROOMS FOR PRIVATE DINNER PARTIES, &c.

An Assistant attends on Passengers by Mail Steamers.

N.B.—Special reduced charges may be arranged for on application to the Manager.

F. E. REILLY,
PROPRIETOR.
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KELLY & WALSH, LD.

IMPORTS OF THE CHOICEST BRANDS OF
TOBACCOS, CIGARETTES AND MANILA CIGARS.

OUR TOBACCOS and CIGARETTES are guaranteed ABSOLUTELY FRESH, and will be exchanged if found otherwise. The MANILA CIGARS will be found thoroughly matured and fit for immediate use:—

TOBACCOS.

Pioneer Brand.	Moose Head Flake Cut.	Three Castles.
Capstan Brand.	St. Ledger Scroll Cut Twist.	Bristol Bird's Eye.
Traveller Brand.	Golden Magnet.	Happy Thought.
Our Mutual Friend.	Prairie Flower Mixture.	Pagoda Brand.
Star Mixture.	Stars and Stripes.	Golden Eagle.
Cope's Rose Bud.	Ogden's Bird's Eye.	Ogden's Fruit and Honey.
Silver Veil.	Ogden's Navy Cut.	Dragon Brand.

CIGARETTES.

Sweet Caporals.	Three Castles.	Ogden's Yellow Plush.
Kinney's Straight Cut.	Otto de Rose.	

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED.
Hongkong, 17th February, 1894. [6

W. BREWER.

HAS JUST RECEIVED

THE ART OF DRAWN WORK.
Practical Engineer's Pocket Diary, 1894.
Our Ocean Railways.
Churchill's Men, Mines & Animals, South Africa.
An Indian Eye on English Life.
Hunting American Big Game.
Price's Arctic Ocean to Yellow Sea.
Round the Works of Our Great Railways.
The Heavenly Twins.
Monteruma's Daughter, by Rider Haggard.
Engineering Drawing and Design.

ENGINEERS' ALMANACKS, 1894.
Ainsley's Nautical Almanack, 1894.
Cheap Commercial Envelopes, $1.75 & $2, 1,000.
Cheap Stationery for private use.
Caw's Stylographic Pens.
Caw's Fountain Pens.
Besique—Halma—Reversi.
Best and Cheap quality 'Squeezer' Playing Cards.
New Exchange Tables 2/- to 3/6.
Chrystographs for Window Decoration.

W. BREWER,
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL,
QUEEN'S ROAD.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1893. [40

THE
HONGKONG HOTEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "Kremlin"—A. B, C. Code.—TELEPHONE, No. 32.

PROPRIETORS.....THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL—the most commodious and best appointed Hotel in the Far East, affords unequalled accommodation to travellers and others. It is situated in the centre of the town, opposite the General Post Office and the Hongkong Club, adjacent to Pedder's Wharf (the principal landing stage of the Colony) and in close proximity to the Banks and Shipping Offices.

The HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail Steamers.
THE TABLE D'HOTE, at separate tables, is supplied with every delicacy, the *cuisine* being under experienced supervision.
THE BED-ROOMS, with adjoining Bath-rooms, are lofty and well ventilated, open on to spacious Verandahs, are lighted by gas and fitted throughout with electric communicators.
The Reading, Writing and Smoking Rooms, Ladies' Drawing Rooms, the new, Bar and public BILLIARD ROOMS (81x English and American Tables) are fitted with every convenience.
The WINES & SPIRITS are selected by an Expert and the BEST BRANDS only are supplied.
HYDRAULIC ASCENDING-ROOMS of the latest and most approved type convey passengers and baggage from the Entrance Hall to each of the five floors above.
NIGHT PORTERS and WATCHMEN are continually on duty.

R. TUCKER
Manager.
Hongkong, 17th November, 1892. [229

DAWSON'S PERFECTION OLD SCOTCH WHISKY.

ALLISTON & CO., SOLE AGENTS, Hongkong and the Far East,
62, Queen's Road Central.
ongkong, 11th December, 1893. [41

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.
SHIPS' STORES.
WINES, SPIRITS, STOUT, ALE, LIQUEURS.

TEACHER'S "HIGHLAND CREAM" WHISKY.
NAPIER JOHNSTONE'S HIGHLAND WHISKY.
ADET SEWARD & Co.'s BORDEAUX WINES.
SACCORIES SHERRIES.
HENRY THOMSON & Co.'s AND JAMESON'S IRISH WHISKIES.
COATES' PLYMOUTH GIN.
HOBOKEN DE BIE & Co.'s HOLLANDS.
VERMOUTH, RUM, GINGER WINE, CHERRY BRANDY.
CIGARS and TOBACCOS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, 26th February, 1894. [98

Intimations.

NOTICE.

THE JELEBU MINING AND TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held on SATURDAY, the 10th March, 1894, at NOON, at the Exchange Rooms, for the purpose of passing the following Special Resolution:—

1.—"That the following Articles be added to "the Articles of Association and be numbered "45A.

REDUCTION OF CAPITAL.

"The Company may from time to time by "special resolution reduce its Capital by paying "off Capital.

2.—"That Article 86 of the Articles of Asso-"ciation be altered by the omission of the words "and figures 'of $5 each.'"

If the aforesaid resolutions be passed by the said Meeting, a Second Extraordinary General Meeting will be held on SATURDAY, the 24th March, at Noon, at the same place, for the purpose of confirming the said resolutions.

Forms of proxy can be obtained from the General Agents at Singapore and from the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China in Hongkong.

Holders of Share Warrants require to obtain admission-tickets from the General Agents in accordance with the conditions, printed on the back of the Share Warrant, which tickets must be applied for not later than the 7th March at Noon for the first, and not later than the 21st March at Noon for the second meeting.

HUTTENBACH BROTHERS & Co.,
General Agents.
Singapore, 13th February, 1894. [278

BALMORAL GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE following notice has been issued to SHAREHOLDERS and HOLDERS of SHARES whose transfers have not been registered, and who are requested to send same in at once for registration along with application for Scrip in the New Company:—

THE BALMORAL GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE NEW BALMORAL GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

1, DUDDELL STREET,
Hongkong, 13th February, 1894.

SIR,—At the General Meetings of THE BALMORAL GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED, in Liquidation, held on the 6th and 22nd days of January, 1894, the following Special Resolutions were duly passed and confirmed respectively:—

1.—That the Liquidator be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to sell and transfer the whole of the Company's business and property to a New Company, to be incorporated with limited liability under the "Companies' Ordinances, 1865 to 1891" and to be named the "NEW BALMORAL GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED," with a Capital of $150,000, divided into 50,000 Shares of $3 each, with the usual power to increase and reduce the same.
2.—That the draft Contract for sale submitted to this Meeting, and expressed to be made between this Company and its Liquidator of the one part, and the New Balmoral Gold Mining Company, Limited, of the other part be, and the same is hereby approved, and that the said Liquidator be, and he is hereby authorized, pursuant to Section 149 of the "Companies' Ordinance, 1865," to enter into a Contract for the sale and transfer of this Company's business and property to the said new Company (when incorporated) for the considerations, and upon the terms set forth in the said draft, and to carry the same into effect with such (if any) modifications as he may think expedient.

I have to inform you that, in conformity with the above Special Resolutions and the Agreement to which it refers, "The New Balmoral Gold Mining Company, Limited," has been incorporated under the Companies' Ordinances, Hongkong, with a Capital of $150,000, divided into 50,000 Ordinary Shares of $3 each, and that the Agreement (referred to in the second of such Resolutions) has been executed.

Your holding in "The Balmoral Gold Mining Company, Limited," being.....Ordinary Shares and.....Preference Shares you are under the Agreement entitled to, and I hereby offer you, in respect of the said Ordinary Shares, an allotment in "The New Balmoral Gold Mining Company, Limited," of the same number of Ordinary Shares of $3 each with $2 credited as paid up on each, and in respect of each of the said Preference Shares an allotment in "The New Balmoral Gold Mining Company, Limited," of two Ordinary Shares of $3 each with $2 credited as paid up on each.

In order to obtain an allotment of the shares to which you are entitled, or any smaller amount, you must fill up and sign the enclosed application letter and then forward the same, together with the certificates for the shares held by you in "The Balmoral Gold Mining Company, Limited," to me at my Office, No. 1, Duddell Street, Hongkong, on or before the 12th day of March, 1894, together with a payment of FIFTY CENTS per Share on the number of shares applied for.

If no application as above mentioned is received from you on or before the 14th day of March, 1894, or so far as any application may not extend, you will be deemed to have refused an allotment of Shares in "The New Balmoral Gold Mining Company, Limited," to which you are entitled under the said Special Resolutions and Agreement, and you will be excluded from an allotment accordingly. If any shares are unapplied for by you, it will be my duty, under the said Agreement, to endeavour to sell them to such persons and for such price as I may think fit.

Forms of Application can be obtained at the Office of the Company, No. 1, Duddell Street, Hongkong.

CARL GEORG,
Liquidator of
"THE BALMORAL GOLD MINING CO., LD."
Hongkong, 13th February, 1894. [278

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship
"HAITAN,"
Captain Goddard, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 4th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1894. [301

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.

THE Steamship
"DENBIGHSHIRE,"
Davies, Commander, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 8th instant, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1894. [149

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship
"MENMUIR,"
Captain Craig, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 10th instant, at Daylight.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has large Cooling Chambers, thus ensuring a supply of Fresh Meat, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1894. [302

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR HAMBURG AND LONDON.

THE Steamship
"SPONDILUS,"
Captain N. Hocken, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about the 26th March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 24th February, 1894. [274

Consignees.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S. S. "BENALDER,"
FROM LEITH, ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 2 P.M. TO-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 7th instant, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 7th instant, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 6th instant, at 2.30 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1894. [303

Hotels.

FUJIYA HOTEL,
MIYANOSHITA,
HAKONE.
Four and a half hours from Yokohama.

FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION.
NATURAL HOT SPRINGS.

THE ELECTRIC LIGHT IN ALL THE BUILDINGS.

TWO NEW ENGLISH BILLIARD TABLES.

EXCELLENT CUISINE.

S. N. YAMAGUCHI,
24] Proprietor.

PEAK HOTEL,

OPEN ALL THE YEAR ROUND.

THIS commodious and well appointed HOTEL, situated at a height of 1,250 feet above sea-level, having been Leased by the Proprietors of the "VICTORIA HOTEL," is NOW OPEN and will be run in conjunction with their HOTEL in Queen's Road, thus enabling them to offer special inducements to Visitors and Residents.

SPECIAL WINTER RATES,
FROM NOVEMBER 1ST, 1893, TO MARCH 31ST, 1894.

One person, per day	$ 3.00
One person, per week	19.00
One person, one month	55.00
Married couple (occupying one room) per day	5.00
Married couple (occupying one room) per week	32.00
Married couple (occupying one room) per month	95.00

For full particulars apply to
VICTORIA HOTEL.
Hongkong, 14th October, 1893. [85

Intimations.

DR. FENWICK'S FOOD

FOR

NURSING MOTHERS AND INFANTS

ALSO FOR

DYSPEPTICS AND INVALIDS.

IT is specially recommended as an article of diet for NURSING MOTHERS as it will strengthen and support them and at the same time enrich the Natural Milk and increase the Supply.

INFANTS FED on this Food put on flesh rapidly.

In two and sixpenny and one and sixpenny bottles at $1.10 and 70 Cents.

AGENTS IN HONGKONG:

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & COMPANY, LIMITED,

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1894. 136

CHEMISTS BY APPOINTMENT.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,

LIMITED.

屈臣公司

FAMILY AND DISPENSING CHEMISTS.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS.

ANALYSTS.

PERFUMERS.

PATENT MEDICINE PROPRIETORS AND VENDORS.

DRUGGISTS' SUNDRYMEN.

CIGAR DEALERS.

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,

AND

AERATED WATER MAKERS.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,

香港大藥房

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.

The Hongkong Dispensary, Hongkong.
The Shanghai Pharmacy, 24, Nanking Road, Shanghai.
Botica Inglesa, 14, Escolta, Manila.
The Canton Dispensary, Canton.
The Dispensary, Foochow.
The Hongkong Dispensary, Hankow.
The Hongkong Dispensary, Tientsin.
London Office, 8, Fenchurch Buildings, E.C.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1894. 15

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

FROM AND AFTER THE 1st OF JANUARY, 1894, THE SUBSCRIPTION TO "THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" WILL BE THIRTY DOLLARS PER ANNUM, OR TWO DOLLARS AND A HALF PER MONTH.

ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.

BIRTH.

At 34, North Soochow Road, Shanghai, on the 24th February, 1894, at 1.30 a.m., the wife of A. P. P. DE CAMPOS, of a son.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 1894.

TELEGRAMS.

INDIAN FINANCE.

LONDON, March 1st.

The Indian Budget provides for the imposition of a five per cent. import duty on silver.

THE PARISH COUNCILS BILL.

Mr. Gladstone has moved the adoption of the [illegible] *Councils Bill* under protest, and strongly condemned the action of the Peers in adopting the amendments.

SILVER BILL.

The Bland *Seigniorage Bill* has passed the United States Senate.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A GRAND-GRAND-DAUGHTER of the immortal Robert Burns is living near Adelaide, S.A.

IT is said that in the recent Assam riots at Mangaldai 36 people were killed and 50 wounded.

IF a lawyer started to learn the English laws at the rate of one a week, it would take him 400 years to finish his task.

THE Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s royal mail steamer *Empress of India* left Yokohama for Vancouver on Friday afternoon.

IT is affirmed that each year there is an average of 6 000 murders committed in the United States, 130 legal hangings and 200 lynchings.

A NEW Japanese gunboat named the *Feisen* is now approaching completion at the Elswick works of Messrs. Armstrong, Mitchell & Co.

THE Spanish gunboat *Santandrino* has received orders to sail for the Philippines in order to strengthen the Spanish fleet in those quarters.

Customer—Have you a copy of "Fifteen Decisive Battles?"

Bookseller—No, sir; we are sold out. But we can give you "Reflections of a Married Man."

WE beg to acknowledge receipt of the "Medical Reports" for the half-year ended 30th September, 1890, published by order of the Inspector General of the Imperial Maritime Customs.

THE Mission steam-launch *Day Spring* will call alongside vessels hoisting code pennant C, between 9 and 10.30 a.m., on Sunday, to convey men ashore to the 11 o'clock service, returning about 12.30 p.m.

At the Masonic Ball:—

Miss Pert—Darling, are you sure you love me?

Old Soldier—Dearest, I would die for you!

Miss Pert—Please don't. Any other shade would not become you.

THE Agents (Messrs. Dodwell, Carlill & Co.) inform us that the Northern Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer *Victoria* left Tacoma, Wash., for this port, *via* Victoria, B.C., and Japan ports, on the 28th ulto.

OWING to pressure on our space we hold over a full report of the *finale* connected with the Sperry flour case, which 'fizzled' in the Police Court this morning, by an arrangement resulting in the defendant being discharged and bearing all costs incidental to the prosecution.

A SHANGHAI contemporary learns that an earthquake travelling from the north-west to the south-west was felt three succeeding days at Aksu, Chinese Turkestan, at the foot of the Western Celestial Mountains, on the 24th, 25th, and 26th December last. Many houses collapsed and a number of lives were lost.

THE Governor of the Straits Settlements in his address to the Legislative Council on the 22nd ult. announced his intention of nominating a Committee of the Legislative Council to inquire what reductions can be effected in the establishments and services of the three Settlements without weakening their efficiency.

LOCAL medicos have more on hand just now than they can well undertake. The whisky poured out at the Masonic Ball and the devil-distracting noises attending the movements of the Chinese dragons that have been on the go through the streets during the past two days having upset quite a number of people. The extension of the Lunatic Asylum is now under the consideration of the Sanitary Board. Truly the lot of a Hongkongite is hard to bear.

It was in a Hongkong school that the following conversation took place:—

Is your father Eurasian?

No, sir

Is he a Parsee?

No.

A Jew?

No.

Then what is he?

A broker, sir.

THE "Directory for Bangkok and Siam" for 1894, a handy and reliable book of reference for all classes in any way connected with the "Land of the White Elephant," is just to hand. It is neat and compact, and contains calendar, tables of weights and measures, Siamese festivals, post and telegraph tariff, notes on the ancient and modern history of the country, and official and general directories corrected up to date of publication. The Hongkong agents are Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Limited.

GEORGE WASHINGTON CHILDS, the distinguished American journalist who has just joined the Great Majority, was a man of varied talents. Through sheer hard work, backed by ability, he amassed an immense fortune, and included in the estate he left is the *Philadelphia Ledger*, one of the most valuable newspaper properties in the world. It was Childs who said "The wealth of a man or woman can best be told by the number of things he or she loves and blesses and by which he or she is loved and blessed." No mean sentiment for an epitaph, that!

AT 7.35 this morning the stirring chimes of the fire-bell echoed through the city owing to the outbreak of fire in No. 17, Salt Fish Street, West Point. The Fire Brigade were promptly on the spot, but before they were able to get out West (by the way, this is only another instance indicating the necessity for the maintenance of a fire-brigade in the western district) the first floors of Nos. 15 and 17 Salt Fish Street were completely gutted, although had it not been necessary, under existing circumstances, for the engines to travel close upon a mile before they reached the scene of the fire, it would unquestionably have been extinguished in a very short space of time. As it was, upwards of a thousand dollars' worth of damage was done, for which, presumably, Messrs. Carlowitz & Co., with whom the premises were insured, will have to pay up. The origin of the fire is unknown.

THE *Straits Times* gives a blood-curdling account of a fire on the British India steamship *Dorunda*, on the way from Brisbane to Batavia. The cargo seems to have been thoroughly addicted to spontaneous combustion, for it broke out in flames at different spots, and took a great deal of trouble to extinguish. Aid was rendered by the passing steamer *Duke of Argyle*, and at one time there was a suggestion of having to run for the nearest land—Timor—which, according to the account of the *Greatest Fraud in the East* is "inhabited by people who consider a supper of human flesh a great delicacy, especially if it be white." Apart from this detail that human flesh in its natural state is not white, whatever sort of skin it may have, it should be noted that Timor is a Portuguese Colony, and that the Portuguese are no more cannibals than Arnot Reid himself.

THE *Rangoon Times* says that the low exchange is stimulating the coal industry of India and Burmah, also the iron and steel industries. Cheapsilver, it says, means nothing but increased prosperity for the masses of the people in India.

Mr. Diggs—I'm glad to say, Old Man, that marriage is not such a failure after all.

Mr. Quiggs—No! So, you are getting on well, eh?

Mr. Diggs—Beautifully! My wife wears a locally-made set of teeth and whenever she storms they fall out and she shuts up.

THE silk shipments by the steamship *Victoria*, which sailed from Yokohama on the 2nd February, and reached Tacoma, Washington, on 18th idem, were delivered in New York on the 24th February, their transportation by the railroad from Tacoma to New York on this occasion occupying six days only.

PATENT pneumatic roller skates seem to be coming largely into use. The King of Greece, a noted athlete and very fond of skating, has ordered half a dozen pairs. A competition between trotting horses and Greenwood, a professional skater, with Wilson's patent pneumatic skates, over ten miles, was won by the skater in a little over 37 minutes.

BEFORE THE BALL.

Mrs. First Class: Hubby, dear! Will you buy me a sash for my evening gown?

Mr. F. C.: What colour dear?

Mrs. F. C. Oh! I don't care particularly, only get something pretty to match my complexion!

Mr. F. C.: What complexion will you wear with that dress, dear?

SAYS the *Singapore Free Press* of the 22nd February:—"To-morrow there will be in this port as large a gathering of British naval strength as has been seen in Singapore waters for many a long day. At present we have the flagship of Admiral Fremantle, the *Imperieuse*, along with the *Alacrity*, the *Severn*, the *Archer* and the *Peacock*. To-morrow the *Leander* will come in from Hongkong and the trooper *Himalaya* from Penang.

IF any Chinese residents read to-day's *Daily Press* before turning it over to their *chefs de cuisine* as a fish-wrapper, they must have been astounded to find that the Editor of that instructive semi-official organ is under the impression that the Chinese religious festival now in full swing is nothing more or less than "the annual procession organised by the Committee of the Man Mo Temple." Truly, "where ignorance is bliss 'tis folly to be wise," and it would be sheer folly for any one to attempt to mar the blissful existence of the dear old lady who fills the editorial chair in *Granny's* sanctum, by attempting to induce him to make sure of his facts and give preference rather to fact than fiction.

FROM a decree dated the 23rd ultimo, it appears that the Dowager-Empress has decided upon the mandarins who are to go up to Peking to pay personal congratulations to her on the occasion of the sixtieth anniversary of her birthday. With the exception of Li Hung-chang, the *N. C. Daily News* states that the remaining seven Viceroys continue at their posts, while amongst those of the rank of Governor only Kang I, of Kuangtung, and Yü K'uan, of Honan, have been ordered by this decree to go up to Peking. The remaining thirty odd officials from the provinces consist of Commanders-in-Chief and others of the rank of Brigadier-General (Chinese) and Brigade-General (Manchu). The officials mentioned in the decree are commanded to be in Peking before the 29th of October next.

THE women of Hongkong owe a debt of gratitude to the almightiest of almighty countries—that over which the Great Eagle ever keeps his pinions spread. Listen to the gist of what a certain distinguished American Consul, when "eloquating" on the subject of "woman," unbosomed himself of:—"He had been round the universe many times, but in no place had he found womankind so lavishly good-natured and so courteous as in Hongkong." If life were not so short it would perhaps be worth while stopping to analyse the foregoing with a view to decide whether this illustrious diplomat were cruelly sarcastic or whether he had realised in Hongkong the truth of the aphorism which lays it down that perfect courtesy is the flower and the fruit of perfect breeding. He might tell us some day.

THE "MAN MO" FESTIVAL.

As briefly noted yesterday, there was a rather serious collision between the police and the processionists; as usual, "someone had blundered." The Protector of Chinese had given permission to the dragon crowd to go pretty well all over the Colony with their complete show; the streets, however, are theoretically in charge of the police, who were never consulted nor even notified. During the day some residents who were not enthusiastic Sinophiles got tired, and made complaints to the police about the overdose of gong. The Captain-Superintendent, having no instruction or authority to vary the regular duty of maintaining order, at once broke up the festivities, thereby causing an intense feeling of bitterness among the Chinese, who naturally were indignant that their great religious performance should be interrupted, after having been sanction'd by the official whom they regard as proprietor of the island. Of course, the Protector of Chinese could have notified the police, and then there would have been no misunderstanding.

To-day the natives have apparently triumphed over the police—a triumph not likely to inculcate much respect for the "instruments of law and order." The streets were again blocked this afternoon, and monopolised by gaudily dressed lunatics hammering gongs and capering before preposterous dragons, tigers, and double-bass drums; while the cruel exhibitions of children triced up to bamboos, in all sorts of positions, were continued for the delectation of the mob. About half the population of Canton is down for the show, and if there is no disturbance of the peace before the jamboree is over, it will say wonders for the passiveness of the Chinese.

Last night's procession of illuminated dragons, fish, sheep, dogs and oxen was one of the most interesting and extensive, of its kind, ever witnessed in this part of the world. Some of the fish (all coloured to the life) were over 20 feet in length and when viewed from a short distance presented a spectacle of brilliancy and novelty never to be forgotten. The dragon, too, as lively as a cricket and all aglow with lanterns, and extending at least 180 feet, was a strange spectacle which once seen would create a lasting impression, we should think, even within the massive brain-tissue of Ha' the Long-headed. That the spectacle was an unusual and attractive one is beyond question, for, in addition to hundreds of Europeans who thronged the streets and every point of vantage anxious for a glimpse of the Celestial pageant, there were upwards of 30,000 Chinese in the streets and by-ways, who have flowed into the colony during the past few days from the neighbouring City of Rams especially to see the processions.

To-night the aquatic procession and fireworks will be under way at 9 o'clock and promise to prove even more interesting than the displays of yesterday.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.]

THAT AMERICAN JOURNALIST.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

I am an American my good Sir, who has but recently arrived in the Far East to enjoy the luxurious hospitality, and magnificent scenery of your remarkably enterprising city. After having attended a series of superb entertainments, graced by queens of womanhood and perfect specimens of nature's noblemen; quaffed the cup of friendship with your officials, and appreciated your admirable governing power, I had almost arrived at the conclusion that the citizens and citizenesses (I suppose you have them here, as we do in America) of your island were all educated, broad-minded, generous men and women; but alas! Faint hope that there should be one Eden without its serpent.—Here I am reminded that the fools are not all dead yet and that there are to be found "snakes in the grass" and otherwise even in this paradise-land of balmy breezes, solid comfort, and flowers. This repetition of the disagreeable, right in the very heart of beauty and warmth, but echoes the versatility of tricky Dame Nature, who creates a monkey and a Mary Anderson, an onion peel and My Lady Jacquinot rose; the trundle bug and the angelic-throated, golden canary; but then were not all this variety possible, whence our Darwin and——the Missing Link who is responsible for the misfit editorial which has lately appeared in an alleged newspaper known within a very circumscribed sphere as the *China Mail*. This mental freak was dedicated to that much-talked-over creature "The American Woman."

But to return to our sheep, *vide* Ki-ling, or in this case to the sheepish monkey, it does seem a sin and a shame that a starving reader should be obliged to pay the price of your contemporary's Journal in order to peruse a badly written modern fairy-tale, when by a little fore-thought and exertion he or she might easily purchase "the Arabian Nights" or "Robinson Crusoe" and con a graceful falsehood.

It is for the thinkers of Hongkong, who may wish now and then to know something truthful of American women, that I beg leave to expose, this most unnecessary and brutal false-reasoning. In the first place, I may state that I am an American Journalist and have been connected editorially and reportorially with the *New York Herald*, the *New York Sun*, a well known London newspaper and other passingly creditable sheets for twelve years, have had some half-dozen novels accepted by the so-called best English and American Publishing Houses, and for some time travelled about the world in search of the picturesque and artistic for both Cassell's and Harper's Magazines, and speaking, as we do in George Washington's land, "on the square," I may, methinks, know a thing or two about this freakish, much-maligned female-curio, "That American Woman."

The screed in question dealt with a so-called bold, bad, wicked, accursed, satiric, sardonic, terribly out-of-form, "American Lady Journalist" who by clever means, manages to show up a ubiquitous social fraud, namely, the fashion now in vogue, of renting out one's social prestige by the day, week, month or year for the almighty dollar. Unhappily the writer touched up American women for being the principal purchasers, forgetting that the Germans, French and even the Jews *a la* Rothschild, have also a finger in the pie.

I do not wish to champion Miss Elizabeth Banks, the "Black Crow," whose nose is being bitten, for although her critic says she is an "American Lady Journalist" I have never been made happy by a knowledge of her existence.

This is to be bridged over, however, by the fact that according to the most authentic and accurate newspaper directory published we have one hundred thousand "American Lady Journalists," all receiving salaries, I am afraid, so much larger than your contemporary could pay, that they will probably never be on "show" in Hongkong, and you can see how it is, there being so many "American Lady Journalists," that I may have missed knowing this particular *premium criminal*.

I have a logical presentiment, though, that if she were anybody of any account, she would be likely to remain in the "Land of Freedom," as an intellectual woman's position is more satisfactory in America than in England. The out-of-the-ordinary and above the average intelligent English woman seems most happy rearing large families of children. Not but what the same maternal feeling extends across the Mill Pond, but then with the Yankee's inventive genius we are able to accomplish several things at once. "The Almighty Dollar in London Society" as set forth by poor, belidden Miss Banks is as true a picture of life, as it actually is in London, as the world will ever read. It is absolutely and unquestionably true—a fact of facts, that the Almighty American dollar (though the possessors of them should be ashamed of themselves) is building up ancestral English homes, and reinstating English *roues*. I never open my mouth, Mr. Editor, unlike my learned friend, unless I know wherewith I speak, on short notice of the cases of Marlborough, Churchill, Gordon-Cumming, Blackwood, Mrs Osborne, and Craven although there are dozens of lesser importance. I am also prepared to state, that the American women who figured in most of these English matrimonial "sells" were not by any means of the highest type of American femininity, and when they burst upon British Society were better known there than in America—but then there it is again, we have sixty-six millions and over to take account of, and a few swollen frogs are never missed from the swim.

Miss Banks' account of the heiress-chaperone business is very well done, but I am afraid only too easily and diplomatically. The disgusting and indelicate practice of an Englishwoman selling the use of her family's social position, name and fame to an American woman for so much per month, or year, is as old as the hills. Some years ago, it was tried by a very high member of first-class society, on your humble servant, who being the grand-daughter of an English Bishop needed no such aid to respectable social intercourse.

The genius who assumed the editorial functions on behalf of your contemporary, sweetly and kindly hints that it was probably true that a broken down Englishwoman offered to civilize Miss Banks. From this point of view the American Miss Banks had best seek another order of the English woman, where she would not be subjected to vicious and immoral teachings. We are rather proud of our common names of Smith, Brown, Andrews, Blake, etc. They may hang over bake-shops, dry goods stores or as in the case of the meek and lowly Washington Irving, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Madam Nordica, Nathaniel Hawthorne, Frances Willard, Elizabeth Stuart Ward Phelps, James Russell Lowell, Henry Longfellow, Patrick Henry, Thomas Edison. They may have reached almost up to an English book-case, but even if they have meagre social prestige we are loath to rent them out, or take "strangers" within their folds for the sake of cash.

Thankful we are though when living in England to have it proven to us that the English cad is only a minimum microbe. There are plenty of English women who would refuse to shelter and abet strangers under their family name, for a livelihood. When this kind of English woman loses her financial footing, she considers it quite proper enough to follow in the Yankee girl's footsteps and earn an honest penny by her hands. I have the extreme honor and delight of having met royal representatives of the surpassing intellectual type—Lady Henry Somerset, the Countess of Aberdeen, Baroness Burdett Coutts, Miss Gladstone, Lady Pauncefote and many others. Such women pooh pooh this imitation lady racket just as the American princess pooh poohs the Anglo-maniac.

To be true and patriotic I must confess, although it is insinuated that Miss Banks' sensational effort is American, I never saw or heard of any such verbal attempt in America. However her work in exposing such frauds as she did makes her a figure which Americans would be proud to accept, I am sure, as one of themselves. Her methods are of the Scotland Yard type, I warrant you, and perhaps sensational too, but that is the way in which the social albatross must be run down. "It takes a rogue to catch a rogue," too, and only an American woman with the English name of Banks, could be "cute" enough (I am told cute is quite American so I use it) to root out such infamous traffic as broken down "English Ladies" sometimes indulge in. Mayhap it is true that we American women are sensational in journalism, and need to be civilized, but we have certainly scored in the criminal courts.

We have never been able, hard as we might try, to get up *delirium tremens* scandals like the Wales-Wilson-Gordon-Cumming-Baccarat scandal, the Montague domestic rampants, and the Russell attempts. We can produce sensational women, but in this particular groove of Ladyship, we are out-run.

It is nothing short of a pity, that the writer of the obnoxious editorial should not have studied barbaric Americans and Americanisms more deeply. The term "lady" is never used in America except by ladies of easy virtue and servants. We have "Lady" Susie and "Lady" Maude, who live in the caverns beneath Brooklyn Bridge and we have the washer-lady, the leading lady in the Dime Museum, the scrub-lady, the charing-lady, and the sales-lady, but the only "lady" in a newspaper office, is the "lady" who washes the windows and chases the hungry mouse out of the jolly waste-paper basket.

It is enough in the land fought for and won by men and women, soldiers side by side and women hand to hand, that the noblest, most ideal term for the highest models should be man and woman, and when I first read the ocean of meaningless words addressed to the unwomanliness of one of my country-women I thought the writer must mean an inferior woman of some sort, but latterly I learned that the missing link was ignorance.

I am sorry that the writer of the disagreeable editorial should see fit to deal in personalities, for editorials, to be instructive, should deal not in narrow prejudices helped forth by strength of names, but by sheer reasoning and clear logic; but for the benefit of the writer I will say that the two ladies mentioned as Americans are not Americans, and never had anything American about them. They saw the light of America when they were, respectively, ten and fifteen years of age; and their parents came from England. Their peculiar practices were not agreeable to the Americans, I understand, and after the *exposé* and horrors of the Beecher trial they were literally obliged to leave America. They went to Paris, but unfortunately report sayeth, the French were not particularly favorable to them, and after wandering for some time they took up their abode in England; one marrying an English lord, a Cooke I believe. England was the country where they found followers and many of these are among the figure-heads whom honest Britishers love to whistle about.

The expression used about the male suitors who took part in Miss Banks' comedy, *a la* Scotland Yard, to the effect that they had come pretty "low down" to associate with an American, is a new one to me. I suppose it means that they had fallen from grace! If so, it is unfortunately only too true with Englishmen of that type. They always are happy in coming low down and being caught in a trap which is baited with money.

But I do not wish to attempt any unpleasantry against either English women or men. They are the salt of the earth, and we Americans do credit to the grand old Britishers, our ancestors, when we strike out in new paths, trying to make life happier, more comfortable and more conducive to personal attainment and self-respect. Our ways may sometimes be crude, but they are always honest, and although in Hongkong a writer with "a bee in his bonnet" chooses to malign American womanhood, believe me, I have never heard an American speak but in the proudest, fondest, noblest terms of English people.

American women all love Jean Ingelow, Adelaide Proctor, Elizabeth Bowring, George Eliot, Charlotte Brontë, Hope Temple, Lady Wilde, Miss Fawcett, Countess Aberdeen, Mrs. Dorothy Tennant Stanley, Miss Dickens, and others of their standard, so highly that every woman's club of any account (and there are invariably twenty-five in every town of seven thousand population) prides among the furnishings their compositions, while the larger clubs have memorial windows, pictures and statues of these high minded women of worth and genius.

The person who imagines that Americans as a class dislike and criticise the English as a class should commit suicide in the depths of his own ignorance.

Respectfully,

"AN AMERICAN WOMAN."

[We publish our fair correspondent's letter with the greatest of pleasure, but make bold to opine that had she a more perfect knowledge of the precious sheet in which the article she so cleverly mangles appeared, she would have saved herself the labour of replying to it. American men and American women are known to the educated world—but alas! the *China Mail* is outside the pale.—Ed. *Hk. Tel.*]

IN THE LOBBY.

(TO THE LADYES. VERE DE VERE *et al.*)

She rose up tall and stately
At close of the mimic scene;
From the dais which had been so lately
Fit throne for a social queen.

The Opera's throng the faster
Slipped out to the music's strain;
She followed her lord and master
With pomp in her velvet train.

But once her light step faltered,
The roses that decked her gown
Fell shattered. The scene was altered
To a meadow bare and brown.

Where pledges were warmly plighted
Each kiss left a burning void;
And suddenly pale—affrighted
In the Lobby, she meets him now.

Oh! What would life be forever
If faithless eyes must see
The ghosts where no death can sever
From Love and his almost live?

CAUGHT ON THE RE-BOUND.

A TRUE TALE OF HONGKONG.

Dorothy had two lovers, so I suppose she ought to have considered herself lucky, since so many girls have none. She had admirers in plenty, but among them all there were only two who were considered, by those who took an interest in Dorothy's affairs, to "mean anything," and it was thought high time that one, or both, should be brought to the scratch.

The married women—without daughters—in the colony, took a vast interest in pretty Dorothy Paget; and in turn they lectured, praised, or rebuked her as occasion required, and tried generally to fill the place of her own dead mother to the girl. The matrons who possessed marriageable daughters of their own, did not find Dorothy half so fascinating and were not half so eager to chaperon her. She was too pretty, and stood in the way of their own girls. Wherever she appeared—at dances, pic-nics, or garden parties—she was sure to be surrounded by quite a little crowd of admirers, while the other girls, to whom Nature had been less generous in the way of good looks, looked on blankly, consumed by jealousy and despair!

Miss Paget had only been a few months in Hongkong, and during that time what wonder if the girl had become a little vain of her beauty? She had had admiration enough to turn the heads of half-a-dozen women. The only wonder was, how she had escaped being most thoroughly spoilt.

Just four months before this story opens, she had come out to join her father, Captain Paget had been in command of H.M.S. *Bluebell*, on the China station, and when he at last succeeded in obtaining a temporary shore billet at the Naval Yard in Hongkong, he lost no time in sending to England for his little daughter to come out and be with him.

Dorothy was delighted. She had heard many tales of the "glorious East," and what good times girls, as a rule, had out there. What a different life it would be to the one which she had been leading in England. She had been living with an unmarried sister of her father's, in the country; very much in the country, indeed, where a few friends coming in for supper and a mild round game afterwards, was considered an exciting event. So when Dorothy first arrived in the gay little colony, naturally she was a little dazzled and bewildered, being plunged at once into a round of gaiety, which, after her quiet country life, completely took her breath away.

She arrived in November—just when the Hongkong season begins; but by Christmas she had become thoroughly acclimatised in every way, and began to take all the admiration she excited as a matter of course and her due. She gave herself coquettish little airs and graces, which had been quite foreign and unknown quantities in the nature of the old Dorothy, when she used to sit, demurely, in her neat cotton gown, stitching away at a never-ending seam, at some of the working parties which had been rife in her neighbourhood. Well, all that was changed now—and so was Dorothy; and I am not at all sure that she was not a pleasanter, sweeter, more loveable little girl in the old days. Her father, of course, was exceedingly proud of her. He had not seen her for nearly three years; so when she burst upon his delighted vision in all her fresh, young, girlish beauty, what wonder if his heart swelled with paternal pride! She was so like her mother too; and the father's heart ached as he thought how his delight in her would have been increased tenfold, if he could only have shared it with the dear little wife who had died long years before at Dorothy's birth.

In the old days, in her quiet English country home, Dorothy had not even had half a lover; now she had two whole ones all to herself. *Embarras de richesse* indeed, for she did not know which to choose! She liked them both; she was not quite sure that she was in love with either of them. And if so—which? Sometimes Captain Vivian seemed to her an ideal Prince Charming, and her heart would beat a little wildly when he whispered tender nothings to her and looked into her eyes, his own lit with a tender love-light. Then again, when she was alone with Vernon Harwood, she felt at times a subtle sudden thrill come over her, and she would feel irresistibly drawn towards him. He had such a timid, clever, trustworthy face, not particularly handsome certainly, but attractive in the extreme. He was by profession a barrister, and one of the most popular men in the colony. Great things were prognosticated as to his future, if only he stuck to his work and kept steady. Not that he was at all likely to do anything else, for he was now over thirty years of age, and his wild oats—such as they had been—were sown long ago.

The two men who were rivals for Dorothy's heart and hand were thoroughly different in every way, both in appearance and character. Captain Geoffrey Vivian was about as handsome a man as one could meet anywhere, and women, as a natural consequence, worshipped him. Lazy, indolent, selfish, his moral character was not quite all one could wish. But his good looks and his fascinating manner covered a multitude of sins; no one stopped to inquire into the nature of the man, they judged by appearances simply, took him as they found him, and pronounced him "charming." At least the ladies did. With men he was not such a favourite. They knew more about him perhaps!

This public opinion in the little world of Hongkong—where everybody knows everything about everybody else—differed considerably about Dorothy's lovers. The women of course thought Vernon Harwood to be not a patch on handsome Captain Vivian, How splendid the Captain looked in his uniform! How well he played tennis—unless it was too hot. How divinely he danced when he was not too lazy! And then his eyes, and his *eye-lashes*! Why, the idea of Mr. Harwood being in the same boat with him was simply absurd! The men, on the other hand, said that "Harwood was worth a dozen of the other chap," and added that Miss Paget would be a little goose if she passed him over for Captain Vivian, despite his good looks.

Neither of the men in question had yet proposed to Miss Paget, but everyone knew that a proposal from them both was imminent, and many were the bets among the male portion of the colony anent the issue. Which of them would meet with success?

It was the night of a "Tarantula" dance—one of those delightful bachelor balls which are so deservedly popular in Hongkong.

Dorothy intended to enjoy herself thoroughly. She knew that she was looking her brightest and best; her looking-glass had told her so already, and her many admirers would be sure to repeat the assertion presently.

It was such a short distance from the Naval Yard to the City Hall that her pretty ball-dress stood little chance of getting crushed in her covered chair as she was being carried thither. As she neared the hall she raised the blind and peered out into the darkness.

"Oh dear, we are late, father, I am afraid. Just see what crowds of chairs are here already," she called out to Captain Paget, who was beside her in a "swing" chair. "It's all right, little girl," he returned cheerily, "music hasn't begun yet, and—listen, there's the gun, so it's just nine o'clock to the minute."

The scene outside the City Hall was an odd one. At least it would have struck a newcomer,

es being so; Dorothy was quite used to it now. A sea of empty chairs, standing in rows, the tops and poles of which only were visible, the pig-tailed bearers belonging to them in groups upon the ground, curled up in all sorts of queer positions prepared to wait there asleep for hours, till the ball was ended, and they were again needed to carry their masters and mistresses home. Many other chairs were just arriving with their pretty Japanese lanterns hanging from the poles, and their bearers in their gaily coloured uniforms, rushing to get first to the entrance door, and there deposit their dainty burdens.

When it came to Dorothy's turn to be "put down"—often, alas, with a bump, which is enough to shake to its foundation one's carefully arranged *coiffure*—she stepped carefully out of her chair into the lower entrance hall, and thence tripped gently up the great red carpeted flight of stone steps, flanked on either side with pots of exotics, tall feathery palms, and brilliant poinsettia.

On the first landing stood a group of hosts waiting to receive their guests, and in the case of the ladies, to take them on to the cloak room.

"May I have the pleasure of taking you up to the dressing-room, Miss Paget?" asked Mr. Harwood, in his deep, pleasant voice.

Dorothy looked up smiling.

"Thank you," she said, as she slipped her little gloved hand under his arm. "I am in good time, am I not?"

"Oh yes—capital. The first valse has not begun yet. By the way, which dances are you going to be kind enough to give me?"

"I've not seen a programme yet, so how can I tell?" Dorothy answered him demurely.

"I won't ask you for the first, or the second, because I shall still be 'on duty,' but as soon as I am free I will come up to you, and see which you have been good enough to keep for me. Will that do?"

"Very well," Dorothy replied, vanishing into the cloak-room, not, however, before she had caught sight of Captain Vivian's tall figure, in scarlet mess jacket, outside the ball-room door.

He had seen her too.

"I'll be hanged if I'm going to be cut out by that fellow," he muttered savagely under his heavy moustache. "I suppose I'm a fool, all the same, I shall ask Dorothy to-night to be my wife. Wonder if old Paget will come down handsome in regard to the little girl's *dot*, if not it will be a case of the proverbial love in the proverbial cottage, and candidly—"

Then prudence suddenly vanished to the four winds as Dorothy swept past him on her father's arm, looking bewitching, and charming enough to "bowl over" the strongest-minded of men, and that Geoff Vivian certainly was *not*.

The men buzzed round Dorothy like a swarm of hungry mosquitoes, all begging and pleading for dances. Above them all towered Captain Vivian's handsome figure. He calmly wrote his name down several times upon her card, and then, almost before she knew what she had done, her programme was rapidly filled up by the others. Unkind Dorothy, fickle little maiden, where are the dances you promised to keep for Mr. Harwood?

Unconscious of his fate he went up to her a little later. A delicious waltz had just come to an end, and Dorothy was on Captain Vivian's arm.

As she saw him approach her, she suddenly remembered that she had kept no dances for him.

"Oh," she paused, radiant and flushed, "I am *so* sorry, Mr. Harwood, but somehow I quite forgot—"

Vernon Harwood had a quiet temper, but a flush of annoyance crossed his face as he turned away without a word; Dorothy had spoilt his evening for him, but what use would it be to tell her so?

"What a Goth!" murmured Geoff Vivian in her ear as they left the ball-room together for the verandah. It was not the last time that evening that they sought its cool shaded depths.

Everyone was remarking how particularly lovely Miss Paget was looking, and many were the admiring glances sent after her, as she flashed past, ever and anon, like some brilliant meteor. Her violet eyes looked dark with excitement under her long curling black lashes. Her rippling auburn hair shone like burnished gold; her cheeks had a deeper flush than usual, and her little scarlet mouth was constantly dimpling out arch smiles or a provoking little pout, as occasion required. Everyone, too, was remarking how Geoff. Vivian was "making the running." What was Vernon Harwood thinking of? He had not once danced with Miss Paget. Was he going to allow himself, thus tamely, to be cut out? Those who had backed him to "win in a canter" began to feel that their money was not as safe as they could wish!

That night, or rather in the small hours of the morning, as Dorothy kissed her father good-night, she whispered in his ear:—

"Don't ask any question, daddy, because I'm not going to tell you *anything*, except that to-morrow morning at eleven o'clock you will have a visitor, somebody who wants to ask you something—something very special." And with a little laugh at her father's mystified expression she ran lightly up the stairs, and shut herself in her bedroom.

Captain Paget pulled a long face. "I might have known it," he muttered to himself sorrowfully; "how could I expect such a tidy little craft as she is to go long without a master? It's hard lines though, it's deuced hard lines, that 'somebody' wants to take her away from me already." Then he, too, went to his well-earned rest, but his dreams were scarcely as rose-coloured as his little daughter's.

Next morning, at the barracks, Captain Vivian looked very moody as he sat down to a late breakfast.

Reflection upon the step he had taken the night before had evidently not been altogether pleasant, at least judging by appearances. He looked—as the children say—as if he had got out of bed on the wrong side.

"Beastly coffee," he muttered, pushing his cup away from him. "What is it, Miles?" to his soldier-servant who came up at the moment.

"English mail, sir, just in" replied the man, handing him a packet of letters.

Captain Vivian glanced carelessly through his correspondence. Christmas bills, most of them from long-suffering tradesmen at home, but threats of "proceedings to follow unless cheques were sent by return," were beginning to lose their novelty. Several thousands of miles of water rolled between him and his clamouring creditors! There was the usual weekly epistle from his mother, who was passionately devoted to her handsome son, and whose injudicious early training had gone far to mar his character. It was just as well—poor doting woman—that she could not hear his "*that'll* keep" as he slipped her loving letter carelessly into his pocket.

"Hullo, what's this, I wonder?" he exclaimed, as he hastily broke open a large important-looking envelope. It was some time ere he thoroughly mastered the contents, and when he did so an imprecation broke from his pale lips.

"Well, I *am* a fool," he said savagely. "What on earth made me propose to that girl last night? Why the mischief couldn't I have waited a little longer, till after I had got this confounded letter, anyhow, offering me a cool £5,000 a year, on condition that I marry *another* one!" And again he picked up the letter which had so perturbed him, and ran his eyes over the contents.

Briefly they were as follows:—The letter was from Messrs. Slim and Sleek, solicitors, who informed him that his god-mother, Miss Dickenson, was dead, and had left her whole fortune to him on condition only that he married her niece Miss Catherine Blair. In the event of Miss Blair refusing Captain Vivian, the whole of the money thus oddly willed away, was to be used for founding a Hospital for Incurables in London.

"Confound the old woman, she must have been mad! Nice dilemma she has put me into. By Jove, it *is* a hole and no mistake. I can't have my cake and eat it too. Case of Dorothy Paget *versus* £5,000 a year *and* Miss Blair—never heard of her by the way—wonder what she's like! She may be a *bas bleu*, she may wear spectacles, she may squint, she may—the only thing I can be sure of is that she won't refuse me," and he stared moodily at his plate with the untasted bacon upon it growing cold and nasty.

When, at last, he rose from the table he had made up his mind. *Coûte qui coûte*, Dorothy must go to the wall, and the £5,000 a year must be his.

Meantime, Vernon Harwood had also come to a decision. He determined to go that very morning and ask Captain Paget's consent to his proposing to his daughter. The situation was becoming unbearable, and he could stand the suspense no longer; he must know his fate, good, bad, or indifferent, and at once.

It thus happened that about five minutes after Captain Vivian, with rather a haggard, shamed look upon his handsome face, rang the door bell at Captain Paget's bungalow, and asked to see the young mistress, Mr. Harwood did the same thing, and enquired for Captain Paget. He was forthwith shown by the "boy" into the dining-room, where he waited in some suspense for the appearance of the man whom he sincerely hoped some day to call his father-in-law.

Dorothy, meanwhile, rosy and bright as the morning, went to meet her lover in the drawing-room. Captain Vivian was standing with his back towards her looking out of the window.

"Father is waiting to see you, Geoff," she cried gaily, going up to him, "I warned him last night that he would have a visitor this morning at eleven o'clock. It was nice of you, though, just to come and see me for a minute first. You are not dreading the interview, are you?" she added archly, slipping her hand through his arm, "You look quite pale."

"Do I?" he asked lamely "Oh, no, the fact is, Miss Paget, that I—I do not think there will be any need for me to see Captain Paget. I—"

Dorothy's little white hand dropped limply from his arm. *Miss Paget!* What did he mean! Surely, surely this could not be the same man who had asked her last night to be his wife; who had made such passionate love to her, who had sworn such eternal fidelity! Had she been dreaming? Was it her mistake? No, of that she is sure. What can it all mean then? What is it he is saying, with his eyes upon the carpet as if ashamed to meet her gaze?

"I—I think it best to be candid, Miss Paget, and tell you that last night I—I made a mistake, I do not think, after all, that I care for you quite as I thought I did; of course, if you insist—"

Dorothy drew herself up with a haughty little gesture. "I insist upon nothing, Captain Vivian, save that you leave this house as speedily as possible," she said, with a contemptuous curl of her pretty lips, "and I should strongly advise you next time you ask a girl to marry you to make quite sure of your feelings towards her beforehand, in order to avoid making another mistake! I wish you good-morning."

Captain Vivian, only too glad of escape, did not wait to be given his *congé* a second time. Hastily picking up his hat and his stick he left the room without a word, without a look even at the girl whom he was treating so dishonourably.

Poor little Dorothy, when left alone, felt utterly crushed and humiliated. To think that she should ever be treated thus! She—the spoilt darling of her father, the pet, the belle of the colony—to be jilted in this cold-blooded fashion. Oh, it was too horrible; even now she could hardly credit that it was not all a bad dream. She felt a great lump rise in her throat, and tears welled up in her violet eyes. What would her father say? And suppose the story leaked out? Oh no, no, whatever happened *that* must not. How those Martin girls would rejoice at her downfall! And Mr. Harwood too, what would he think of it all? Would he be sorry for her or would he—

Suddenly the door opened, and her father looked in. "Oh, here she is, Harwood," he cried heartily, "come in, come in, no doubt you'll have plenty to say to each other, eh? And now, as two's company, and three's none—specially on occasions of this sort—I may as well make myself scarce, eh?"

And he considerately did so; but as he closed the door noisily behind him, there was a suspicious moisture in his eyes as he muttered to himself.—"But it's hard lines all the same, I'm blessed if it isn't—deuced hard lines."

A few days latter it was noised abroad that Miss Paget and Mr. Harwood were engaged, and many were the congratulations showered upon them both.

Much to Dorothy's relief nothing whatever of her unfortunate little affair leaked out. Even her father never knew till years afterwards that Vernon Harwood was not the visitor whom Dorothy had told him to expect.

Captain Vivian suddenly left the colony, and a few months later a queer story drifted out to Hongkong concerning a great deal of money which had been left him by an eccentric god-mother, but which however came into, on account of the strange conditions of the will. It was reported that the girl whom he was to marry in order to obtain the money utterly refused to have anything to say to him, but like a foolish young woman obstinately stuck to the man of her choice—a penniless curate! Thus, all Miss Dickenson's wealth went towards founding a Hospital for Incurables, and gladdening the hearts of the meek, the lame and the blind!

It was only when Dorothy heard this story that the *raison d'être* of Geoff Vivian's "mistake" dawned upon her, and she would have been less than woman if she had not murmured contentedly to herself "serve him right!"

Truly, between two stools he had fallen to the ground, Vernon Harwood entirely fulfilled the prognostications his friends had made concerning him. He went on steadily, and prospered exceedingly. In time he became a Chief Justice, and was knighted into the bargain. Lady Harwood is one of the happiest wives and mothers to be found anywhere, and she has never had the slightest cause to regret that she allowed her heart to be caught on the re-bound.

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A "TURN" FOR THE BETTER.

Society contained nothing that could rival Lord Strathcaddie, head of the clan McHaggis, in puritanical rigidity, and probably in the fact that he was a social solecism lay the reason of his being tolerated and even sought after. A lifetime of austere attentiveness now and again relieved by an oracular outburst had earned for him a reputation for infallibility. If he had ever praised a new literary production, a thing he never did, that work would have speedily raced through several editions. If he had subscribed to a charity, another thing he never did, that charity would have soon had more money than it could well employ. His postprandial diatribes against the passing pleasures, fashions and fancies of the hour, so far from offending their votaries, filled them with a certain spiritual exaltation, for the frail followers of La Mode experienced the double delight of feeling themselves to be "very naughty indeed" and at the same time to be in the company of a really good man.

His daughter helped him to popularity. She really believed in him. And, then, she was very beautiful. All run after beauty. Beauty is the common goal of the sexes. And she would be very rich. She was a universal favourite, and people said that such a charming girl loving her father as she did, spoke well for that father. Besides, she used a great deal of her pin-money in charity, which reflected credit on him. But it is not with Lady Estella that we have to do. After just glancing at herself in the mirror, she "went out," and got married the same season.

There was, however, one who knew him better: his son, the Master of Strathcaddie, an offensive youth with a head as empty as Sahara—and as sandy. Unendowed with the imagination requisite for going wrong, his past was blameless. At Oxford he had never exceeded his somewhat meagre allowance; his appetite never led him to little suppers; and he realised that for one of his build sartorial embellishments were a useless expense. He had not one amiable weakness. Foreign stamps possessed no charm for him; neither did the cleek, the camera, or the *coulisse*.

In fact, had it not been for his hair he would have been an indubitably colourless young man. The only thing that could be said against him was that he was not dazzlingly intellectual, but, then, Lord Strathcaddie himself would have acknowledged that he did not want a brilliant son. Brilliancy was contrary to the traditions of his house and would have been regarded by his lordship as an unwarrantable intrusion.

Altogether a man of Lord Strathcaddie's disposition ought to have been grateful for such a son. But he wasn't. He was furious at his heir's every action. He seemed to have possessed himself of an elixir by means of which a mole-hill might masquerade as a mountain at a moment's notice. Things regarded by the world as necessities he considered abominations. Smoking he abhorred, and he looked upon "weeds" and "wild oats" as synonymous terms, whilst in his opinion the main gate of Hades was equipped with a lock fitted by any form of latch-key. Right manfully did his son bear up against his petty persecutions, but he was bound to break out sooner or later, and it happened that after a peculiarly *mauvais quart d'heure* with his sire the young man let himself go. After the encounter the Master of Strathcaddie was scarcely master of himself.

"I must really give the guv'nor something to grumble at!" he thought.

And then an idea came into his mind.

"Why not do the thing handsomely? Do something that will not only convince the guv'nor of the puerile injustice of his persecution, but will also shock Society and shake it to its very foundations?"

But when he began to consider how this was to be done, he found it to be a far from easy matter. Society has grown rather placid of late; it refuses to be shocked, and its foundations decline to be shaken. Besides murder and a Salvation cadet-ship, few things will entail social ostracism. Co-respondence is a drug in the market; steam has blown all the romance out of elopement; felony is the pastime of philanthropists, and petty larceny an archaic legalism for kleptomanis.

He thought of marrying Sybil, the slack-wire sylph, or Cossie Coningsby, the charming serio-comic, but soon recognised that such marriages were too much played out to be anything but a failure—from the point of view of *sensation*.

"Why not go on the music-hall stage yourself?" suggested a confidant.

"Out of the question," sighed the Master. "Too little voice to sing, and too much foot to dance have always been the leading characteristics of the Clan McHaggis."

"By Jove, I have it!" exclaimed the friend. "You play your national instrument a bit; why not knock up a turn out of that? You can cover the feebleness of your performance by guying the whole business."

"A glorious idea!" replied the prodigal. "If the guv'nor isn't howled over by the sight of the 'gods' making mock of the McHaggis tartan, nothing will touch him!"

Lord Strathcaddie was starting next day to indulge in a fortnight's Highland slowness in his Highland fastness, and it was settled that, if possible, the *début* should be made on the night of his return. Arrangements were easily made with the manager of the Tivilion, who was delighted with the idea, and the following fortnight was one of unceasing labour. Dean Ramsay's immortal work was ransacked for allusions to whisky, and every other repository of Scottish humour was subjected to a similar scrutiny. Some stories were adapted, references to mothers-in-law, lodgers and the size of policemen's feet being deftly woven into the old material; and the eventful night arrived.

For obvious reasons the *début* had not been advertised until the morning, but there was a full house, and one after another the Mimicking Miss, the Goddess of the Golden Globe, the Coster King and Miss Rortie Rookwood were received with enthusiasm. Then a burst of cheering heralded the hoisting of No. 17 a G, chord rent the air; and the new "Eccentric Comedian" appeared.

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Next morning the papers were full of the new star. Next evening a private box was full of the old Peer inefficiently disguised.

"How could you do it?" moaned his lordship when he had received his son to his presence. "You who have always lived such a regular life and never given me a moment's anxiety; whom I regarded as the prop of my declining years."

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Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—2½ per cent. premium, sellers.
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Union Insurance Society of Canton—$100 per share, sales and buyers.
China Traders' Insurance Company—$57 per share, sales and buyers.
North China Insurance—Tls. 150 per share, sales and buyers.
Canton Insurance Company, Limited—$134 per share, sellers.
Yangtsze Insurance Association—$67, buyers.
On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 15 per share.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—$205 per share, sales and sellers.
China Fire Insurance Company—$79 per share, sales and buyers.
Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—$27 per share, sales and buyers.
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CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

2nd March, 1894.—At 4 p.m.

STATION.	Barometer red. to sea level & 32° Fhr.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.	Amt. last 24 hours.
Wladivostock	30.06	33	...	S	0	C	...
Tokio	30.04	...	...	...	0	...	...
Nagasaki	29.83	60	92	WSW	1	...	...
Shanghai	29.88	58	85	NW	3	...	...
Foochow	29.86	68	90	NE	1	...	...
Amoy	29.89	67	79	SE	1	...	...
Anping	29.91	78	...	SSW	...	...	...
Swatow	29.94	62	...	SE	1	...	...
Canton	29.89	74	...	SE	3	...	...
Hongkong	29.90	66	80	E	4	C	...
Victoria Peak		...	...	SE	5	...	...
Gap Rock	29.91	...	82	E	3	...	...
Macao	29.90	68	94	SSE	1	C	...
Hoihow		...	...	...	...	...	...
Haiphong	29.79	72	100	SE	1	OC	...
Bolinao	29.89	81	71	N	3	C	...
Manila	29.88	88	45	SE	3	C	...
Cape St. James	30.01	...	...	NE	2	C	...

3rd March, 1894.—At 10 a.m.

STATION.	Barometer red. to sea level & 32° Fhr.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.	Amt. last 24 hours.
Wladivostock	29.89	20	74	NNE	1	C	...
Tokio	29.69	...	...	N	1	...	...
Nagasaki	29.72	58	94	WSW	4	OC	0.21
Shanghai	30.03	38	100	NW	1	OC	...
Foochow	29.89	57	89	SE	1	C	...
Amoy	29.91	64	89	W	1	C	...
Swatow		...	...	...	...	...	...
Canton	29.95	60	...	ESE	2	OC	...
Hongkong	29.95	72	85	S	2	C	...
Victoria Peak		...	...	SSE	1	...	...
Gap Rock	29.95	...	...	S	3	...	...
Macao	29.92	73	90	...	1	C	...
Hoihow		...	...	...	...	...	...
Haiphong		...	...	...	...	...	...
Bolinao	29.88	81	71	ENE	2	C	...
Manila		...	...	...	...	...	...
Cape St. James	30.02	...	...	NE	2	Om	...

3rd, 10.57 a.m. Barometer steady. Gradients slight for south-east winds but probably increasing for north-east winds. Sea slight. Weather fair, damp.

1—Barometer reduced to level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths. 2—Temperature in the shade in degrees, Fahrenheit. 3—Humidity in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100. 4—Direction of the wind to two points. 5.—Force of the wind according to Beaufort scale. 6—State of the weather, B Blue sky, C Detached clouds, D Drizzling rain, F Fog, G Gloomy, H Hail, L Lightning, O Overcast, P Passing showers, Q Squally, R Rain, S Snow, T Thunder, V Visibility, W Dew—wet). 7—Rain in inches, tenths and hundredths.

F. G. FIGG, First Assistant.
Hongkong Observatory, 3rd March, 1894.

HONGKONG REGISTER.

	Previous day 4 p.m.	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	29.90	29.95	29.85
Temperature	66	73	75
Humidity	80	83	77
Direction of wind	E	ESE	S
Force	4	2	2
Weather	C	C	C
Rain	—	—	—

Highest open air temperature on the 2nd 68
Lowest open air temperature on the 2nd 62

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HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(From Messrs. Geo. Falconer & Co.'s Register.)

To-day.

Barometer—9 a.m.	29.93
Barometer—1 p.m.	29.88
Barometer—4 p.m.	...
Thermometer—7 a.m.	72
Thermometer—1 p.m.	76
Thermometer—4 p.m.	...
Thermometer—9 a.m. (Wet bulb)	70
Thermometer—1 p.m. (do)	72
Thermometer—4 p.m. (do)	...
Thermometer—Maximum	76
Thermometer—Minimum (overnight)	68

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The Messageries Maritimes Co.'s steamer *Oxus*, with the outward French mail, left Singapore on the 1st instant, and may be expected here on the 8th.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E. & A. Steamship Co.'s steamer *Airlie* left Port Darwin on the 23rd ultimo, and may be expected here on the 4th instant.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Belgic*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco, left Yokohama on the 28th ultimo at daylight, and may be expected here on the 5th instant.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Peru*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port *viâ* Yokohama, on the 17th ultimo.

The O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Oceanic*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, *viâ* Honolulu and Yokohama, on the 27th ultimo.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Gwalior*, from Bombay, left Singapore on the 27th ultimo, and may be expected here on the 5th instant.

The China Mutual steamer *Pakling*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, left Singapore on the 28th ultimo, and may be expected here on the 6th instant.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Aden* left Colombo on the 25th ultimo for this port.

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

DEUTEROS, German steamer, 1,198, W. A. Diese, 2nd March,—Bangkok 23rd Feb., Rice.—Siemssen & Co.
PACTING, British steamer, 1,088, F. Gyles, 3rd March,—Canton 3rd March, General.—Butterfield & Swire.
PEIYANG, German steamer, 953, R. Kohler, 3rd March,—Canton 3rd March, General.—Siemssen & Co.
RIO, German steamer, 1,109, C. H. Davidsen, 3rd March,—Bangkok 23rd Feb., Rice.—Wieler & Co.
CANTON, British steamer, 1,110, T. H. Sellar, 3rd March,—Shanghai 27th Feb., and Swatow 2nd March, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
KWEILIN, British steamer, 1,087, J. B. Harris, 3rd March,—Wuhu 27th Feb., General.—Butterfield & Swire.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Pacting, British steamer, for Wuhu.
Krimhild, German steamer, for Singapore, &c.
Ly-ee moon, German steamer, for Shanghai.
Hattan, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.
Michael Jebsen, German steamer, for Saigon.
Peiyang, German steamer, for Wuhu.
Loo Sok, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.
Arratoon Apcar, British str., for Singapore.
Cheang Hoch Kian, British steamer, for Amoy.
Pekin, British steamer, for Amoy.

DEPARTURES.

March 2, *Tamarind*, Norwegian steamer, for Canton.
March 2, *Albert*, Norwegian str., for Canton.
March 2, *Phra Nang*, British str., for Swatow.
March 2, *Artaka Maru*, Japanese steamer, for Kutchinotsu.
March 2, *Glenfalloch*, British str., for Canton.
March 3, *Pekin*, British steamer, for Amoy.
March 3, *Bellona*, German str., for Yokohama.
March 3, *Krimhild*, German str., for Singapore.
March 3, *Arratoon Apcar*, British steamer, for Singapore.
March 3, *Peiyang*, German steamer, for Wuhu.
March 3, *Pacting*, British steamer, for Wuhu.
March 3, *Diamond*, British steamer, for Amoy.
March 3, *Benalder*, British steamer, for Kobe.
March 3, *Michael Jebsen*, German steamer, for Saigon.
March 3, *Ly-ee-moon*, German str., for Shanghai.
March 3, *Hangchow*, British str., for Swatow.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.

Per *Deutros*, from Bangkok.—0 Chinese.
Per *Canton*, from Shanghai.—Mr. Bowman, 82 Chinese.

The British steamship *Canton* reports that she left Shanghai on the 27th ultimo, and Swatow on the 2nd instant. From Shanghai to Swatow had gloomy weather with moderate to fresh monsoon and moderate sea; thence to arrival variable winds and fine weather with dense fog at times.

Post Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE—

For Canton.—Per *Pewan* to-morrow, the 3rd instant, at 9 A.M.
For Amoy.—Per *Cheang Hoch Kian* on Monday, the 5th instant, at 2.30 P.M.
For Sandakan and Kudat.—Per *Memnon* on Monday, the 5th instant, at 3.30 P.M.
For Yokohama and Hiogo.—Per *Bellona* on Monday, the 5th instant, at 3.30 P.M.
For Taiwanfoo and Takao.—Per *Ardgay* on Monday, the 5th instant, at 4.30 P.M.
For Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, and San Francisco.—Per *China* on Tuesday, the 6th instant, at 5 P.M.
For Europe, &c., Australia, India *viâ* Madras, Calcutta, and Mauritius.—Per *Saghalien* on Wednesday, the 7th instant, at 11 A.M.
For Straits and Bombay.—Per *Siura* on Thursday, the 8th instant, at 11.30 A.M.
For Europe, &c., India, *viâ* Bombay.—Per *Ravenna* on Thursday, the 15th instant, at 11 A.M.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG

STEAMERS.

ASK, Danish steamer, 592, Revsbeck, 1st March,—Haiphong 25th Feb., and Hoihow 28th Feb., General.—A. R. Marty.
CHEANG HOCK KIAN, British steamer, 956, T. M. Kunath, 2nd March,—Sourabaya 18th Feb., and Singapore 25th, General.—Bun Hin Chan.
CHINA, American steamer, 5,288, Wm. Ward, 22nd Feb.,—San Francisco 30th January, Honolulu 5th Feb., and Yokohama 17th, Mails and General.—P. M. S. S. Co.
EMPRESS OF JAPAN, British steamer, 5,904, Geo. A. Lee, 28th Feb.,—Vancouver 5th Feb., Yokohama 20th, Kobe 21st, Nagasaki 22nd, and Shanghai 25th, General.—C. P. Railway Co.
FAME, British steamer, 117.—Hongkong Government tender.
FROGNER, Norwegian steamer, 719, Gullicksen, 28th Feb.,—Bangkok 18th Feb., Rice.—J. Andrew.
HAILOONG, British steamer, 720, Hodgins, 1st March,—Foochow 27th Feb., and Amoy 28th, General.—D. Lapraik & Co.
HAITAN, British steamer, 1,182, F. D. Goddard, 2nd March,—Swatow 1st March; General.—D. Lapraik & Co.
HESPERIA, German steamer, 1,123, H. Will, 24th Feb.,—Sourabaya 12th February, Sugar.—Siemssen & Co.
JAVA, British steamer, 2,632, F. N. Tillard, 1st March,—Singapore 23rd Feb., General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
KONG BENG, British steamer, 867, J. B. Jackson, 27th Feb.,—Bangkok 18th Feb., and Kohsichang 20th, General.—Yuen Fat Hong.
LOO SOK, British steamer, 1,020, G. Anderson, 26th Feb.,—Bangkok 16th Feb., and Kohsi-chang 19th, General.—Yuen Fat Hong.
MACDUFF, British steamer, 1,882, E. Porter, 1st March,—Saigon 23rd Feb., Rice.—Dodwell, Carlill & Co.
MEMNON, British steamer, 896, Branch, 28th Feb.,—Sandakan 22nd Feb, General.—Butterfield & Swire.
NANSHAN, British steamer, 805, J. Blackburne, 2nd March,—Bangkok 21st Feb., General.—Hop Hing Hong.
NINGPO, German steamer, 762, Th. Lehmann, 22nd Feb.,—Canton 22nd Feb., General.—Siemssen & Co.
PEKIN, British steamer, 118, Raymond, 2nd March,—Amoy 28th February, General.—Chinese.
PHRA CHOM KLAO, British steamer, 1,011, J. Fowler, 2nd March,—Bangkok 23rd Feb., and Koh-si-chang 24th, Rice and General.—Yuen Fat Hong.
PILOT FISH, British steamer, 161, A. Stopani.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.
PRAYA, 130, Captain MacIsaac.—Hongkong Government Tender.
STURA, Italian steamer, 1,416, E. De Negri, 1st March,—Bombay 10th Feb., and Singapore 22nd, General.—Carlowitz & Co.
TEHERAN, British steamer, 1,674, F. Cole, 27th February,—Moji 22nd February, Coal.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
VORWAERTS, German steamer, 612, Moller, 1st March,—Nagasaki 24th February, Coals.—Wieler & Co.
WHAMPOA, British steamer, 1,094, L. Dawson, 25th Feb.,—Canton 25th Feb., General.—Butterfield & Swire.
ZAFIRO, British steamer, 675, A. W. R. Cobban, 20th Feb.,—Manila 17th Feb., General.—Shewan & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.

AFGHANISTAN, British 4-masted bark, 2,220, Craigie, 2nd Feb.,—New York 12th Oct., Kerosene Oil.—D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.
ALTAIR, British bark, 399, Matthews, 22nd Jan.,—Sandakan 11th Nov., Wood.—Wieler & Co.
ANDRETA, British ship, 1,650, A. Jackman, 20th Feb.,—New York 19th August, Kerosene Oil.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
BASUTO, German bark, 348, H. Eggers, 14th Oct.,—Amoy 4th Oct., Sugar.—Wieler & Co.
CHARON WATTANA, Siamese barque, 656, G. Koch, 14th Feb.,—Bangkok 1st January, Timber.—Chinese.
COLOMA, American bark, 895, Cyrus M. Noyes, 26th Jan.,—Portland, and Honolulu 18th Nov., Lumber.—Tuck Lee.
COUNTY OF CARDIGAN, British ship, 1,229, Griffiths, 25th Feb.,—Cardiff 24th October, Coal.—Government.
FERNANDO, Norwegian bark, 347, E. Pettersen, 22nd Jan.—Gorontalo 22nd Dec., Rattans and Blackwood.—Moh Wong.
GEORGIETTA, American bark, 436, F. Kasten, 5th Feb.,—Bangkok, *viâ* Labuan, 25th Nov., Timber.—Wieler & Co.
GERARD C. TABEY, American bark, 1,390, J. F. Shurlleff, 22nd Jan.,—New York 30th Sept., Kerosene Oil.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
GOMUR, Spanish schooner, 70, E. A. Blow, 26th Jan.,—Yap 12th January.—Master.
LOTHAIR, Italian bark, 794, Juan B. Cafrange, 30th Nov.,—Callao 30th Oct., General.—D. Musso & Co.
MOUNT WASHINGTON, American ship, 1,162, Louis W. Ross, 6th Jan.,—Kutchinotsu 28th Dec., Coal.—Captain.
NAM SHUM SING, Chinese 3-m. sch., 368, Lok Li Tong, 3rd August,—Saigon 24th August, Wood.—Yong Kee & Co.
OMEGA, British bark, 430, Brown, 9th February,—Callao 5th December, General.—Master.
OTAGO, British bark, 246, C. B. Dasborough, 23rd Jan.,—Albany, W.A., 26th Nov., Sandalwood.—Shewan & Co.
PANDIA, Danish barque, 595, M. C. Schmidt, 20th Feb.,—Albany 4th Dec., Sandalwood.—Gilman & Co.
WM. LE LACHEUR, British bark, 573, T. Powell, 18th Jan.,—Kalegan 22nd Dec., Timber.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

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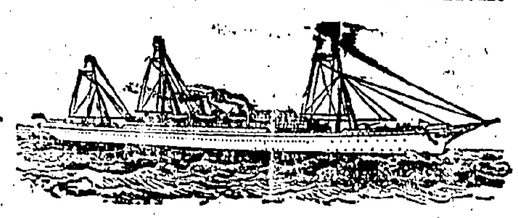
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Hongkong, 21st February, 1894. [3

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

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Oceanic (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama)	Wednesday, 4th April, at Daylight.
Gaelic (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)	Wednesday, 25th April, at Daylight.

THE Steamship

"BELGIC"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *viâ* NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA and YOKOHAMA, on THURSDAY, the 15th March, at Daylight. Connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

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Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 14th February, 1894. [2

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILING FROM HONGKONG.

China (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)	Wednesday, 7th Mar., at Daylight.
Peru (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea & Yokohama)	Saturday, 24th March, at Daylight.
City of Rio de Janeiro (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea & Yokohama)	Thursday, 12th April, at Daylight.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

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For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 23rd February, 1894. [1

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

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Victoria	Tuesday	April 10th.
Tacoma	Tuesday	May 8th.

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